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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000
provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

To: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		Attorney Docket No.:1538.1014	
First Named Inventor	Hiroyasu SHINO, et al.		
Application No.	09/863,254	Group Art Unit	3625
Filing Date	May 24, 2001	Examiner	Robert E. Rhode, Jr.
CPA Filing Date		Confirmation No	9281
Title of Invention	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SELLING OR PURCHASING COMMODITIES VIA NETWORK		

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (Box a or b must be completed)

- a. Previously submitted
i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 15, 2004
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on __
iii. Other
- b. Enclosed
i. Amendment/Reply
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv. Other
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Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required).
b. Other

	BASIC FEE	\$	790.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>October 14, 2004</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (2 months (\$450)). The first month extension of time fee of \$110.00 that was paid November 14, 2004 has been deducted:			340.00
Suspension Fee (\$130.00)			
Total of above Calculations =		\$	1130.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).			
TOTAL FEES DUE =		\$	1130.00

4. Small entity status:

- a. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.
- b. A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. is no longer claimed.

5. Other:**6. METHOD OF PAYMENT**

- A check in the amount of \$ \$1130.00 is enclosed.
- Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.)

7. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to:
Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

STAAS & HALSEY LLP



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9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

NAME	Mehdi Sheikerz	REGISTRATION NO.	41,307
SIGNATURE		DATE	December 14, 2004